## Jun-08

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednessay	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1-Jun 10a Along Long Lake *NC 1:30p Leave It To Beaver *NC		3-Jun Nature Center Closed		5-Jun Nature Center Closed	Nature Center Closed	7-Jun Free Fishing Weekend 9-11a Kids Fish *SLBR 2p Gyotaku *NC
8-Jun Free Fishing Weekend  10a Park Geology *DLBL 12:30p Feeding Time *NC 1:30p This Old House *NC 1-4p Volksmarch *SRS	9-Jun Nature Center Closed	10-Jun Nature Center Closed	11-Jun 10a Exploring Nature *NC 2p Furry Friends *NC	12-Jun 12:30p Feeding Time *NC 2p Frog and Toad *NC	13-Jun Nature Center Closed	14-Jun 7am -11am Free Family Fishing Derby *SLBR Nature Center opens @ 1:00 2pm Fish Dissection *NC
15-Jun 9a Canoe Hike *SLBR 12:30p Feeding Time *NC 1:30p Leaf Printing *NC	16-Jun Nature Center Closed	17-Jun Nature Center Closed	18-Jun 2p Whooo's There *NC	19-Jun 12:30p Feeding Time *NC 2p Vampires at the Lake *N(		21-Jun 10a Pond Play *NC 2p Hummers *NC
22-Jun 12:30p Feeding Time *NC		23-Jun Nature Center Closed	25-Jun 2p Ladybug Ladybug *NC	10a Dam Builders *NC	10a WildflowerWander *DL	29-Jun 9a ABC's of Canoeing *SLBR 2p Turtle Talk *NC
29-Jun 9a Canoe Hike *SLBR 12:30p Feeding Time *NC	30-Jun Nature Center Closed	1-Jul Nature Center Closed				

Nature Center Hours: 12:00pm-4:00pm Wed-Sun beginning June 7.

**Interpretive Naturalist:** Howard Luehrs

**Hoosier Quest Program: See the Naturalist** 

## Calendar Key

\*BLPL = Bowen Lake Parking Lot

\*CS = Campground Store

\*DLBL = Dock Lake Boat Launch

\*NC = Nature Center

\*SLBR = Sand Lake Boat Rental

\*SRS = Sunny Ridge Shelter

## **Activities Descriptions**

**ABC's of Canoeing:** Learn the basics of canoeing from a 35+ year veteran. Bring your own canoe or rent one from the park. The session usually lasts from 1<sup>1/2</sup>-2 hours.

Along Long Lake: Discover the wonders of wetlands along Trail 6.

Beginning Birding: Join the Naturalist to learn a few simple keys to bird identification. This could be the start of your journey into the fascinating world of birding.

Bountiful Bowen: Meet the Naturalist at the Bowen Lake Parking Lot for this 1-mile hike to discuss habitats that can be found, and what makes

them successful around Bowen Lake.

Camouflage: Learn about animal camouflage and join in an activity that tests your observation skills.

Canoe Hike: Enjoy a 2-hour journey with the Naturalist through the lakes and channels of Chain of Lakes State Park. We will also do some water quality testing.

Bring your own canoe or rent one for \$5.00/hour.

Cartography: Learn how to read topographic maps and how to make your own.

Casting: Come to the Nature Center to make plaster casts of your favorite nature objects. Or, make a plaster coasting using found objects.

Dam Builders: Join the Naturalist at the Dock Lake Boat Launch to go in search of beaver inhabitation.

**Exploring Nature:** This hike provides a variety of activities to help you explore nature.

Feathered Friends: Learn the many adaptations our feathered friends have, and explore our feather collection.

**Feeding Time:** Meet and Feed the animals we have at the Nature Center.

Furry Friends: Come explore and learn about the furry friends we have at the nature center.

Game Night: Meet at the campground playground for some games sure to make the kids sleep that night!

Geocaching: Learn the basics of this sport that leads you to hidden treasures in (sometimes) unusual places. Bring a GPS unit if you have one.

Chain By Numbers: Match the number to the fact. Most correct answers wins a prize!

**Gyotaku:** Join the Naturalist at the Nature Center to learn the ancient Japanese art of recording the size of a fish. Make some of your own fish prints to take home and show your prize 'catch'.

Insects Bug Me!: Enter the fascinating world of insects and put together some of your own.

**Into the Night:** Join the naturalist for a journey to the darker side of the park.

**Ladybug Ladybug:** Learn why you want ladybugs in your garden and make a ladybug hand puppet to take home.

**Leaf Printing:** Practice the art of leaf printing and bark rubbings.

Leave It To Beaver: Explore the many adaptations of beavers and how they change the landscape.

**Logging:** Get ready to explore as we go in search of critters that live under logs and rocks.

Magnetic Ants: Make your own ant to take home as you learn about their role and what we can learn from them.

Mystery Hike: Not really a hike at all, but certainly a mystery!

Natural Poets: Come to the nature center to write a communal poem or two.

Nature's Bingo: Come to the Nature Center for BINGO fun and the chance to win prizes!

**Nature Close-up:** Come see how much nature there is to be found in a square yard.

Natures Wonders: Join the naturalist at the Cabin Play Area for this hearty 2-mile hike in search of the many wonders nature provides.

Park-Libs: Have some fun making your own state park versions of the popular Mad Libs®.

Park Geology: Learn about what made Chain of lakes State park as we hike trails that show us examples of the different terrain features.

Pond Play: Bring your shore shoes or waders and plan on getting muddy! The Naturalist will help you discover what types of critters can be found in our lakes and channels.

Snake Whisperer: ssSSsstop by the Nature Center to learn about and handle these fabulous creatures.

State Park's Trivia Game: Play a game, win prizes, and learn about the many recreational opportunities right here in Indiana!

This Old House: This talk will feature the history of the Stanley Schoolhouse, our nature center.

Trail Blazer – This is a habitat walk as we will traverse just about all of the habitats found in Chain of Lakes State Park. Moderate+ hiking due to hills and length (about 2 hours).

**Trash to Treasure:** Bring some of your (clean) trash to the Nature Center and we will turn the collected pile into a treasure to behold.

**Tracking:** Make tracks to the Nature Center where we will use plaster castings for art projects.

Vampires at the Lake: Warning, this program may send shivers down your spine! Come see who lives in our park and wants your blood!

Who Goes There: We will be watching closely for animal signs, tracks, and where they might live on this hike. If the conditions are right we will make casts of some of the tracks.

Whooo's Home: Learn about the owls of northeast Indiana.

Wildflower Wander: Discover what flowers are in bloom and learn how to identify them using a flower guide on this hike with the naturalist.

Woodpecker Walk: Join the Naturalist at the Dock Lake Boat Launch to look for signs of the half-dozen woodpeckers that can be found in the park.

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